

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the conditional allowability of Claims 5, 7-11, 19, and 21-25 which were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, applicant has amended independent Claim 1 to include all of the limitations of previous Claim 5. Claims 4-5 have been canceled without prejudice but may be pursued in a later filed application. Similarly, applicant has amended independent Claim 15 to include all of the limitations of previous Claim 19. Moreover, applicant has canceled Claims 18 and 19 without prejudice. Claims 2-3 and 6-14 include all of the limitations from a base claim deemed allowable (new Claim 1) and, therefore, are also allowable. Claims 16-17 and 20-27 include all of the limitations from a base claim deemed allowable (new Claim 15) and, therefore, are also allowable. Applicant has canceled Claims 29-35 without prejudice, which may be pursued in a later filed application. Applicant submits that all of the pending claims of the present application are in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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